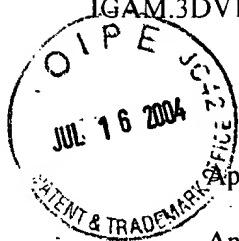


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Rolf Carlson

Appl. No. : 09/143,907

Filed : August 31, 1998

For : METHOD FOR CONTROL OF  
GAMING SYSTEMS AND  
FOR GENERATING  
RANDOM NUMBERS

Examiner : Tan V. Mai

Group Art Unit 2124

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In a Restriction Requirement, mailed December 10, 2002, restriction was made to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 26 and 27, drawn to a method of generating random numbers; and
- II. Claims 47-50, drawn to a method of generating and applying random numbers.

**Applicant hereby elects Group II, without traverse.**

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned directly.

Respectfully submitted,

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